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RIGA AND YEREVAN CHEMICAL PLANTS STEP UP PRODUCTION

RIGA SUPERPHOSPHATE PLANT PLEDGES HIGH PRODUCTION -- Sovetskaya Latvya, No 40, 18 Feb 49

The Riga Superphosphate Plant has made the following pledges in honor of the Tenth Congress of Trade Unions of the USSR which is to open in Moscow on 19 April 1949:

1. To guarantee maximum production of high-grade superphosphate, and to complete the construction of the pyrite warehouse bridge crane and car scales before 15 April.
2. To release 400,000 rubles of the working capital before 15 April.
3. To produce 10,000 tons of superphosphate above the plan before 19 April.
4. To put four shops on a cost accounting basis during the same period.
5. To complete the 1949 production plan by 7 November, and to deliver to the country 20,000 tons of superphosphate above the plan before the end of 1949.
6. To raise labor productivity 5 percent more than planned.
7. To raise the productivity of basic equipment 30 percent more than planned.

YEREVAN CARBIDE PLANT INCREASES PRODUCTION -- Kommunist, No 41, 19 Feb 49

Workers of Yerevan Carbide Plant have pledged to complete the Five-Year Plan for production level during the first half of 1949, to accelerate

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the production cycle of working capital by 17 days, and to release 1,500,000 rubles of the working capital.

The Plant fulfilled the January 1949 plan 107.5 percent for gross production and 103.9 percent for actual products. The productivity of the carbide furnaces was increased 10 percent and labor productivity 5.9 percent. The workers saved 730,000 kilowatt hours of electric power and 70 tons of carbon. They have pledged to complete the year plan by 29 November.

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